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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figures 1, 3a, 5b and 5c. These sheets replace the original sheets.

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Remarks/Arguments:

Claims 14-21 are withdrawn from consideration.

Claims 6-13 and 26-29 are allowed.

Claims 3 and 24 are objected-to.

Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 22, 23 and 25 stand rejected.

Drawings:

As requested, FIG. 1 has now been labeled with the legend of "Prior Art".

FIG. 3a has been amended by removing the numerical designation of "62".

FIGS. 5b and 5c have been amended by removing the numerical designation of "94".

New substitute drawings have been included to replace these original figures.

Claim Objections:

As requested, claims 1 and 22 now recite "wherein" as appropriate.

Objected-to Claims:

Claims 3 and 24 have been objected-to, as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Applicants have now amended claim 1 by incorporating the features of objected-to claim 3. Claim 3 has now been canceled. Amended claim 1 is now in condition for allowance.

Claim 22 has been amended by incorporating into it the features of objected-to claim 24. Claim 24 has now been canceled. Amended claim 22 is now in condition for allowance.

Dependent claims 2 and 4-5 depend from amended claim 1 and are, therefore, also in condition for allowance.

Dependent claims 23 and 25 depend from amended claim 22 and are, therefore, also in condition for allowance.

Allowed Claims:

Claims 6-13 and 26-29 have been allowed.

Withdrawn Claims:

Withdrawn claims 14-21 have now been canceled.

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Conclusion

The application is now in condition for allowance.

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Attachments: Figures 1, 3a, 5b, 5c (4 sheets)

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